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### **Wichita Falls to Welcome Texas Shrine Association**

Wichita Falls, Texas – The Wichita Falls Convention and Visitors Bureau and the City are getting ready to welcome the Texas Shrine Association as they celebrate 150 years of Shriners International and 100 years of Shriners Hospitals for Children.

On Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> in Downtown Wichita Falls, the Shriners will be hosting a parade at 10:00am with all the clowns, bands, vehicles, mounted units, and marching Shriners from 13 Shrine Centers across the State of Texas.

Over 500 Shriners and their families will be in Wichita Falls for the 88<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Texas Shrine Association Ceremonial and All-State Competitions, June 9, 10 & 11, 2022. The public is invited to attend the unit competitions and shop in the Market Place with various vendors at the MPEC.

Shriners Hospitals for Children® were founded in 1922 with the goal of providing expert medical care for children with no financial burden to the patients or their families. Since the inception of the first hospital in Shreveport, LA, over 1.4 million children have been treated for a wide spectrum of disabilities, from the first polio cases to the treatments that are made today!

That philanthropic effort supports the health care system's facilities across the U.S., Canada and Mexico, treating children up to 18 years of age who have orthopedic conditions, burns, spinal cord injuries, cleft lip and palate and sports injuries. Our advanced care is provided in a family-centered environment that is focused on maximizing a child's quality of life, regardless of the family's ability to pay and at NO COST to the patient or family.

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